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SUBJECT: NSW MINISTER' S VISIT ON KANGAROOS

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TOM LEWIS, MINISTER FOR LANDS AND TOURISM, CALLED ME
THIS MORNING (MARCH 26) AFTER HIS RETURN FROM WASHINGTON
TO EXPRESS HIS REGRET THAT YOU WERE UNABLE TO SEE HIM
BECAUSE OF A CONGRESSIONAL HEARING. HE AND OTHERS IN
THE NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT AND APPARENTLY THE QUEENSLAND
GOVERNMENT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT DEPT
OF INTERIOR WILL INCLUDE CERTAIN KANGAROOS ON THE
LIST BEING THREATENED WITH EXTINCTION BEFORE INTERIOR HAS
THE FULL FACTS. HE IS PARTICULARLY EAGER TO HAVE YOU
SEND A MAN TO AUSTRALIA TO REVIEW THE FACTS AT FIRST HAND
BEFORE TAKING ACTION. NSW AND QUEENSLAND ARE THE
PRINCIPAL STATES WHICH ISSUE PERMITS TO KILL SURPLUS
KANGAROOS WHICH INTERFERE WITH SHEEP AND CATTLE GRAZING.
THEY WOULD LIKE YOUR REPRESENTATIVE TO VISIT OFFICIALS
AND FARMERS IN THOSE STATES BEFORE TAKING ACTION
PROHIBITING IMPORTATION OF KANGAROO PRODUCTS.
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